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SUBJ: FUTURE AVAILABILITY OF LEAD-FREE GASOLINE IN MEXICO

REF: STATE 195045

1. OFFICIAL PETROLEOS MEXICANOS (PEMEX, STATE OIL AGENCY)
WITH WHOM EMBOFF HAS BEEN IN COMMUNICATION ON THIS SUBJECT,
CALLED TODAY (FEB. 1) TO INQUIRE WHETHER US. ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) WAS HOLDING, IN FACE CURRENT ENERGY
CRISIS, TO ITS EARLIER REQUIREMENT THAT BEGINNING 1975 MODEL
YEAR AUTOMOBILES BE EQUIPPED WITH CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, WHICH
REQUIRE USE LEAD-FREE GASOLINE.

2. PEMEX OFFICIAL (LIC. JORGE ESPINOSA, SUB-DIRECTOR,
COMMERCIAL) SUGGESTED THAT EARLIEST POSSIBLE ANSWER TO
THIS QUESTION WOULD BE MOST USEFUL FOR HIS AGENCY, WHICH
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IS FACED WITH AND CURRENTLY STUDYING TECHNICAL ASPECTS
OF NEED TO SUPPLY CONSIDERABLE VOLUME AMERICAN TOURISTS WITH

LEAD-FREE GASOLINE BEGINNING THIS FALL.

3. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS BEEN TRYING FOR SOME TIME TO
ENCOURAGE A FOCUS ON LEAD-FREE GASOLINE AVAILABILITY PROBLEM
RAISED REFTEL, AND BELIEVES THAT PROMPT REPLY, IF POSSIBLE
AT THIS TIME, WOULD BE USEFUL IN THIS REGARD.

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